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Office Action Summary

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Applicant(s)

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Examiner

John Chavis

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 24 June 2003.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-58 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-58 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
- Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
- Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
- ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 - ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 - ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413) |
| 2) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) | Paper No(s)/Mail Date. _____ |
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DETAILED ACTION

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 101

1. 35 U.S.C. 101 reads as follows:

Whoever invents or discovers any new and useful process, machine, manufacture, or composition of matter, or any new and useful improvement thereof, may obtain a patent therefor, subject to the conditions and requirements of this title.

2. The claimed invention is directed to non-statutory subject matter. Claims 45-56 are directed toward a data structure that does not appear to be embodied on a computer readable medium or with functions that are computer implemented and therefore, appear to focus merely on the data structure itself and is therefore not considered statutory.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

3. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

4. Claims 1-58 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Microsoft Windows Server 2000, white paper (MWS2K).

Claims

MWS2K

1. A system for a distributed build comprising:

See page 1.

a first computer maintaining a list of jobs, each of said jobs having an operation associated with creation

See the Change and Configuration Management section entitled "Remote OS Installation" via a server.

of an installed software image;

a second computer accepting one of the jobs from the first computer and

See the last paragraph on page 2, the portion that discusses PC98 compliant computers (clients).

executing the accepted job by performing the operation associated therewith.

“ “ “ “

2. The system of claim 1, wherein the second computer configures the installed software image.

See the 4th para. from the bottom of the page; which indicates that the CD based Option is similar to setting up a workstation directly...

3. The system of claim 1, wherein the second computer delivers the installed software image to the first computer.

“ “ “ “

4. The system of claim 1, wherein the operation comprises installing, configuring, and imaging the software image.

“ “ “ “

5. The system of claim 1, further comprising a master computer through which the second computer accepts one of the jobs from the first computer.

“ “ “ “

In reference to claims 6-14, 19 see the rejection of claims 1-5.

As per claim 15, see the first full paragraph on page 5; see also steps 5 and 6

On page 7.

The features of claims 16-18 are taught via the section entitled “Remote Installation Services...” on page 10.

In reference to claims 20, see the first paragraph of page 15.

As per claim 21, see the automatic setup feature on page 15.

Claims 22-26 are taught via claims 1-3 above.


The features of claims 27-44 and 45-58 are taught via claims 1-21 above.

5. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to John Chavis whose telephone number is (571) 272-3720. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F, 8:00am-4:30pm, EST.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Kakali Chaki can be reached on (571) 272-3719. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'John Chavis', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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